House Resolution No. 3490

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State organizations which are dedicated to improving the quality of life for individuals in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, the Lutheran Convalescent Home in Webster Groves has attained considerable distinction as a place where "Older Adults Living Life to the Fullest" find the assistance they need as "Pilgrim People on Their Journey Home"; and

Whereas, on Monday, May 23, 2005, Lutheran Convalescent Home Auxiliary members and friends will celebrate the Eighty-fifth Anniversary of the founding of Lutheran Convalescent Home; and

Whereas, a 240-bed skilled nursing facility located on South Laclede Station Road, the Lutheran Convalescent Home can trace its history to December 2, 1858, when the Reverend Johann Friedrich Buenger founded Lutheran Hospital of Saint Louis; and

Whereas, in 1901 the Reverend F.W. Herzberger led in the formation of the Lutheran Ladies Mission Aid Society which established a Mission School, Home for Homeless Children, followed in 1919 by a fund to open a Convalescent Home for sick persons having no one to care for them; and

Whereas, on August 10, 1920, Christy Mansion was purchased for \$15,000 with members of the Ladies Mission Aid Society providing care for residents while their husbands renovated and maintained the building; and

Whereas, Lutheran Charities Association, now known as Lutheran Senior Services, accepted ownership and management of the Home in 1967 and moved the facility to Saint Joseph's Convent on Laclede Station Road in 1972 to allow room for independent living and assisted living facilities in addition to skilled care; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive, and service-oriented history of the Lutheran Convalescent Home and to convey to its administrators and staff this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as they celebrate the Eighty-fifth Anniversary of the founding of their esteemed organization; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to the Lutheran Convalescent Home of Webster Groves, Missouri.

Offered by _	
ŀ	Representative Kathlyn Fares
I	District No. 91
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,	
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do	

certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House

Resolution No. 3490, adopted May 20, 2005.